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<b>Office Action Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b> 10/653,787	<b>Applicant(s)</b> CLOUGH ET AL.	
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### Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 06 March 2008.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1,3,7,9,13,18,23,28,29,33 and 34 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,3,7,9,13,18,23,28,29,33 and 34 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All    b) ☐ Some \*    c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)                     | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)           |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____                                      |
| 3) <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)          | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application |
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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Response to Amendment***

1. This office action is in response to amendment /reconsideration filed on 03/06/2008, the amendment/reconsideration has been considered. Claims 1, 3, 7, 9, 13, 18, 23, 28, 29, 33 and 34 are pending for examination, the rejection cited as stated below.

### ***Response to Arguments***

2. Applicant's arguments filed on 03/06/2008 have been fully considered but they are not deemed to be persuasive. In the remarks, applicant argued in substance that

(a) Prior art "Chen and Yoshimura" does not teach, "determining if the identified port address is listed by the policy data".

(b) Prior art "Chen and Yoshimura" does not teach, "accepting the network request and reporting use data only upon a determination that the identified port address for the particular one of the plurality of venue stations is listed as a port address for an authorized venue station".

As to point (a), Examiner respectfully disagree, while giving the broadest interpretations to the claim language, points to Chen, as per applicant policy data according to specification and associated Fig.3, policy data is defined as "address and billing" information and therefore according to Chen, Abstract, where "determining identification information based on the uploaded location information, correlating, at the printing service provider, the determined identification information with the uploaded print data information", where location

information can be relate to address which is part of policy data information and further in [0020] Chen discloses, uploading step may be performed by a hotel server, wherein the print data information comprises billing information and the hotel guest information room key information still further in Fig.5, Step-s503, [0080], where hotel server determines room key information from mapped IP address which is port address information and Chen further discloses in [0080], where hotel server 19, knowing the data port that the broadcast message was broadcast from, maps the port to the guest's room and inserts the assigned IP address in the hotel's database containing the guest's information. Chen further discloses, in [0022] and defines how location is determined and authorization step provide significant information for billing purposes.

As to point (b), Examiner respectfully disagree and points to Chen, Fig.5, Step-s503, [0080], where as discussed above for point (a) a determination is made for a valid listed port address mapped against guest's room information for internet access authorization, Chen further explains in [0081], how user enters a URL to upload a file for printing and in [0082], user has an option to print as quick print, registered users, create new account etc. Further in Fig.6 and Fig.7, Step-s701, where hotel server detects connection assign IP address to port and map with guest information and finally [0094], where accounting software is used to calculate the charges for printing operations and bill the guest accordingly and therefor it will be obvious to one of the ordinary skilled in the art to modify the

teachings of Chen and Yoshimura to conclude various aspects of the invention available in the analogous art.

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

3. The text of those sections of Title 35 U.S.C 102 and 103(a) not included in this action can be found in a prior Office Action.
4. Claims 1, 3, 7, 9, 13, 18, 23, 28, 29, 33 and 34 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chen et al. (Pub. No.: US 2003/0105643 A1), hereinafter "Chen" in view of Yoshimura et al. (Pub. No.: US 2003/0069972 A1), hereinafter "Yoshimura".
5. Chen and Yoshimura have been cited as prior arts in the last office action. The teachings that applicable are respectfully maintained and incorporated by reference as set forth in the last office action.

***Conclusion***

**THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of

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the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to TAUQIR HUSSAIN whose telephone number is (571)270-1247. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Bunjob Jaroenchonwanit can be reached on 571 272 3913. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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